

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Inventor : Francesca B. Kuglen Atty Docket: K551-003.B  
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For : STRETCH COMB HAIR  
RETAINER  
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Oakland, California  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND REPLY  
FILED WITH RCE**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 17, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin at page 13 of this paper.